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WIN'S GROCERY.

Happy New Year

The constant increase of business and the many new patrons at our store is good evidence of their confidence in us, the splendid values given, and the completeness of our stock. The holiday rush being over we will endeavor to give our customers better service than ever. You can always find everything in

Drugs, Chemicals, Wall Paper, Window Shades, Stationery, Rubber Goods, School Books, Leather Goods, Perfumes, Art Goods and Cigars.

ALWAYS THE CHEAPEST,
SHARRAR & MULHOLLAND,
—THE LEADING—
Druggists and Wall Paper Dealers.

HOME and VICINITY.

Write it 1901

Of course you swore off.

E. L. Irish went to Lansing Tuesday. WANTED—A boy to feed cylinder and job press.

Mrs. H. J. Vermeulen was in Saginaw Thursday.

Mrs. M. C. Bright of Lansing is visiting her son, J. C. Bright.

Buy your wood and coal of C. H. Marquette and he will make it warm for you.

Mrs. F. E. Osborn of Marshall is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Moore.

Dr. and Mrs. J. H. Lancashire entertained a select company of friends last Tuesday night.

Dr. and Mrs. E. A. Bagley entertained a small company of friends at their home last Tuesday night.

Attend the "rummage sale" in the store formerly occupied by Smith & Glass, if you want extraordinary bargains in every line of goods.

Miss Harriet Lancashire returned to her studies in Detroit Wednesday. She was accompanied to Detroit by her father, Dr. J. H. Lancashire.

Miss Florence Plum, who has been spending the holidays in Alma with her mother, expects to return to her school in Cleveland, O., on Monday.

The pleasure of the after-dinner smoke may be increased by buying your cigars at C. B. Ingersoll's cigar store. They are in keeping with the other goods found there.

Ex-County Treasurer Otto died at his home in Ithaca last Monday of pneumonia. Mr. Otto had been identified with county affairs for a number of years and had a large circle of friends.

T. A. Ely, F. W. Blair, Dr. R. E. Hunt and R. S. Miller attended the meeting of the State League of Republican clubs in Lansing this week as delegates from the Lincoln Republican Club of this place and at the same time attended the inaugural services of the new state administration.

The Alma Dramatic Club is soon to present the drama, "Under the Gaslight." The characters consist of the best talent of Alma's young people and the play is one of moral demonstrations, as well as being enlivened with exciting and amusing climaxes. This is the first production of this club and deserving of a liberal patronage as the proceeds go for the benefit of the Alma Band. Watch for the date.

C. E. Burns of Detroit spent Sunday in Alma.

J. M. Montigel was in Saginaw on business Monday.

Miss Mertha Peters of Detroit is visiting relatives in Alma.

Wilbur Nelson returned to his studies in Kalamazoo college Wednesday.

Miss Nellie Donahue of Ithaca spent New Year's in Alma with the Misses Fleming.

G. S. Bright of Grand Rapids spent New Year's in Alma with his brother, J. C. Bright.

Thos. Clark was in Lansing the first of the week attending the opening of the legislature.

Mill wood, buzz, soft and hard maple and beech wood for sale at C. H. Marquette's wood yard.

Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Morrison of Mt. Pleasant visited Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Hunter, New Year's.

Mrs. J. F. Schwartz and daughter, Edna, went to Saginaw Monday to spend New Year's with relatives.

Miss Jessie Weed of Mt. Pleasant spent the holidays in Alma with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Weed.

Ladies desiring to take embroidery lesson should call on Mrs. E. A. Bivins and make arrangements before Jan. 12.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Wilson very pleasantly entertained a few invited friends at their residence Monday evening.

J. F. Sartor, Sr., went to Owosso, Monday, to assist in nursing C. B. Ingersoll's father who is quite ill at that place.

Miss Ada D. Stone, who has been visiting friends in Alma during the holidays, returned to her home in Peepport, Ill., Monday.

A. W. Brock has had issued from this office a very neat little booklet telling about the good points of his "Acme" heating drum.

Mrs. Wm. Hannah, Jr., of Harbor Springs joined her husband at this place last Saturday and remained until Wednesday when they returned home.

A. W. Brock, Jr., of Rapid City, who has been spending the holidays in Alma with his parents, returned to his position as drug clerk in that place on Monday.

Thos. Gaffney of Stanton and W. W. Ferris, landlord of the Hotel Arcadia, have secured bonds and opened a saloon in the room in the hotel formerly occupied by C. B. Ingersoll.

J. M. Montigel has secured the agency for the Deering harvesting machinery and repairs for the year 1901 and will include those popular harvesting machines with his other well known machinery.

McKanness, the greatest living colored violinist, Miss Lizzie Perry, the Jewish Creek, with the Alabama Warblers at the opera house next Monday night. Reserved seats on sale at Sharrar & Mulholland's.

The Wright House barber shop and bath rooms are being repainted and refitted throughout this week and will be ready for J. A. Allen to move into them sometime next week. The bath room in particular is receiving a general overhauling. New floor and new porcelain bath tubs will be put in and Mr. Allen will have the finest suite of rooms for his shop to be found in this part of the state.

As an evidence of the esteem the employees of the sugar factory have for their superintendents and foreman, they have presented them each with some very valuable gifts during the past week. D. Jessurun, the superintendent, was presented with an elegant gold watch, his assistant, Mr. Neumann, a gold watch chain and charm, while the foreman, Mr. Prochavka, was also presented a gold watch chain and charm. To say that these gentlemen appreciated these gifts would be putting it mild.

In the case of the county of Isabella vs. Lewis Gorsline; the judge took the question in hand and away from the jury and rendered a judgment in favor of the county for the recovery of \$1,737.27 for money received by Gersline upon fraudulent sparrow orders. It is reported that the case may go to the supreme court, but there seems to be justice in the judgment as it returns to the county treasury a small portion of the money alleged to have been fraudulently drawn from it.—Isabella County Enterprise.

The Alabama Warblers played to a good house on Monday evening last and gave good satisfaction. The company is an excellent one, each member being an artist in his own particular line. Special mention must be made of McKanness, who is an excellent warbler and a sweet singer. Miss Perry also proved herself a star, while Mr. Woods is the best contortionist ever seen in St. Clair. The two dancers and the comedian were first-class. The Warblers will play here again Saturday night, Dec. 1st, and deserve to have a crowded house. A good minstrel program will be furnished, and the entertainment will be further enlivened by McKanness and his violin.—St. Clair News. Opera house, Alma, Monday, January 7. Reserved seats on sale at Sharrar & Mulholland's.

C. H. Marquette—wood and coal—he sells it.

Dr. W. R. Parmort spent New Year's in Alma with friends.

One good cook stove for sale cheap at Brock's if taken at once.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Micham returned from Detroit last Saturday.

Miss Minnie Eggert of Owosso visited friends in Alma over Sunday.

Miss Blanche Woodward returned to her music studies in Detroit today.

C. B. Ingersoll was called to Owosso on Monday by the serious illness of his father.

Rev. Albert Emmel of Owosso was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Bittner, New Year's.

Quite a number from this place attended a masquerade party in Shepherd Tuesday night.

Miss Clara Bennett of Grand Rapids spent New Year's in Alma with Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Rhodes.

Dr. T. W. O'Hara of Paris, Macomb county visited Mr. and Mrs. Marcus Ring over New Year's.

Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Hayt and children went to Henderson Monday to spend New Year's with relatives.

A. W. Brock expects to leave the first of the week for points in Minnesota in the interests of the "Acme" heating drum.

C. F. Brown was in Lansing Tuesday to attend the opening of the legislature and the inaugural of the incoming state administration.

Mrs. E. A. Bivins is the recipient of a box of fruit rare to northern people, known as kumquats. The box was sent here direct from Florida.

A. E. Mulholland, Jay Jacobs, C. E. Walzer and Ike Pink attended a New Year's ball in Ithaca Monday evening. They all report an excellent time.

Mrs. Geo. Mills and W. J. Smith of Port Dover, Ont., who were here to attend the funeral of Andrew Smith last week, returned home Wednesday.

A very pleasant reception was tendered Mrs. John Hall of Saginaw at the home of her brother-in-law, A. J. Hall, on Saturday evening of last week.

The kindergarten of the public schools will not open until Monday next when it is expected that as many of the youngsters will be in attendance as possible.

F. A. J. W. Holmes went to Lansing, Tuesday to assume his duties as one of the law makers of the state. Mrs. Holmes accompanied him and will remain for a few days.

At the time of our going to press yesterday we learned that Emory Sadler, who had been seriously ill for the past few weeks, had peacefully passed away at his residence in Alma.

C. A. Oide, who has been employed in Earl Clark's barber shop, has resigned his position and left the first of the week for St. Louis where he intended purchasing a shop and going into business for himself.

H. J. Vermeulen has added "silent salesman" show cases in the grocery and dry goods departments of his store thereby completing the equipment in all three departments with these handsome cases.

Amos Pratt has moved his barber shop from the Wright House to the building south of Ellison's store formerly occupied by Gray's jewelry store. The building has been repapered and painted and Mr. Pratt now has as fine a barber shop as there is in Alma.

Miss Lillian Moxon, for several years at the head of the embroidery department for the Richardson Silk Co., of Belding, will be at Mrs. E. A. Bivins' millinery store from Jan. 14 to 19 with a full line of embroidery and patterns for the purpose of giving lessons in this work to those who desire them.

Just as we are going to press we learn that Professor Northon has just received another Christmas present, a bouncing baby boy, born this afternoon, Thursday, Dec. 27, 1900. Mother and child are doing well, and congratulations are in order.—Genoa Junction Times, (Genoa, Wis.) The Record extends its congratulations.

Canvassers are now out taking orders for a very handsome book, entitled "Story of One Hundred Years." The book contains over 600 pages with 100 engravings, giving in detail, everything of importance that has happened during the past century. This is a book that should be in the library of every household in Alma. The agents are securing a large number of orders.

The services of the fire department came very near being called into use last Wednesday morning by the burning out of a chimney in A. B. Scattergood's residence. Mrs. Scattergood was aware of the fact that the chimney had been burning out and shortly afterwards thought she heard the sound of fire somewhere in the house. Entering the parlor she discovered what at one time had been an open fireplace, but later papered over, and filled with rubbish all on fire. A few pails of water put out what would have proved a dangerous fire in a short time if it had not been discovered at the time it was. It was plainly evident that the sparks from the burning chimney had dropped down into this rubbish and thereby caused the fire.

L. H. HAYT'S ...Department Store...

First Offering in the

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Outing Flannel Nightrobes.

Ladies' Outing Flannel Nightrobes, good quality Outing Flannel in stripes, nicely made, full size, at..... \$ 75
Heavier quality striped Outing Flannel, braided, trimmed, full size and good length, at..... 1.00
Extra quality, fancy stripe Outing Flannel, ribbon trimmed, extra size and length, at.... 1.25

...Ladies' Knit Skirts...

Special good values, good weights and medium lengths at 50c, 65c and 85c.

Call in and see them.

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Department Store,
CHURCH BLOCK, ALMA.

Rubber Goods

We buy these goods in quantities that keep our stock fresh. We buy of the manufacturers. If you want a

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Fountain Syringe or
Bulb Syringe

or anything in that line, call in and see us before buying.

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Up-to-Date Pharmacy.

UNION TELEPHONE EXCHANGE.

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Furniture, etc.,

can be bought for as little purses as can be found anywhere in Michigan.

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